

NEWPORT NEWS, VA – Congressman Robert C. "Bobby" Scott announced today that he will be hosting three information sessions on the Affordable Care Act, commonly referred to as Obamacare, during the August District Work Period.

"Major provisions of the Affordable Care Act take effect in January 2014 and open enrollment through the state health insurance marketplaces begins this October," stated Rep. Scott.

"Unfortunately, the amount of misinformation about Obamacare from opponents of the new law is hindering many small businesses and individuals in my district from understanding how the new law can help them access affordable health insurance. Many small businesses currently qualify for tax credits that can assist them in purchasing health insurance plans for their employees. Additionally, the new health insurance marketplaces will allow individuals without insurance or those looking for a better deal to purchase affordable insurance from qualified health plans in the marketplaces. Nearly 18 million Americans may be eligible for tax credits that will help them pay for their insurance through the marketplaces. Obamacare is the law of the land and my constituents deserve to have all the necessary information available to them to understand how this new law will help improve their lives and the lives of their families."

The information sessions will be hosted on the following dates and locations:

Monday, August 12, 2013 - Richmond, Virginia

6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

The Imani Center

1506 Hull Street

Richmond, VA 23224

Tuesday, August 13, 2013 - Petersburg, Virginia

6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Union Train Station

103 River Street

Petersburg, VA 23803

Monday, August 19, 2013 - Norfolk, Virginia

6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Norfolk City Council Chambers

810 Union Street

Norfolk, VA 23510

These events are free and open to the public. For more information, please call Congressman Scott's Richmond District Office at (804) 644-4845 or his Newport News District Office at (757) 380-1000.